

Chairman Berlin Boyd's District 7 Newsletter



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Chairman Berlin Boyd, District 7

Dear Citizens,

As Chairman of the City Council, I have been working hard to help build a city we all can be proud of and call our home. I hope you will join me in making a better future for Memphis.

We have some exciting projects taking place in District 7 and I hope each of you will continue to contribute to making Memphis once again the most beautiful city in America.

Sincerely,

City of Memphis Service Numbers

Non-Emergency Memphis Police:

901-545-2677

Animal Shelter: 901-636-1416

Citizens Service Center:

901-636-6500 (311 From mobile)

Code Enforcement

(Shelby County):

901-222-8394

Drug Hotline: 901-525-DOPE

Emergency Management Agency:

901-458-1515

Health Department Illegal Dumping:

901-222-9000

Public Works:

901-636-6762

City Beautiful Commission:

901-522-1135

Memphis Light Gas & Water:

901-544-6549

Potholes: 901-636-6722

Public Works (Flooding):

901-636-7127

Recycling: 901-636-6876

Sewage Stoppage Dispatch:

901-529-8025

Solid Waste/Garbage Collection:

901-636-6851

RIVERPLAY "POP-UP PARK"



RiverPlay "Pop-up Park" is a collaborative effort involving the City of Memphis, Riverfront Development Corporation and Downtown Memphis Commission. It is part of a initiative aimed at revitalizing public spaces along a four-block area of Downtown Memphis. An initiative known as Reimagining the Civic Commons selected Memphis as one of five cities to receive private grant funds for the project.

RiverPlay "Pop-up Park," as the park is temporarily known, will feature a roller-skating rink, three basketball courts, table tennis and other games, as well as space for food trucks. It will be located on the portion of Riverside Dr. immediately east of Mississippi River Park, formerly known as Jefferson Davis Park.

The park is scheduled to open in mid-May and operate through early August 2017.

Pinch District Redevelopment



(901) 636-6500 or 311
from your cell phone.

Monday - Friday

8:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Call to report city issues!

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The goal of the Pinch District concept study is to create a walkable mixed-use urban district, building upon the unique history and character of the area and reinforcing connections to downtown Memphis assets including St. Jude Children's Research Hospital, the Cook Convention Center, BassPro at The Pyramid and the Uptown District neighborhood. Concepts include multi-story mixed use buildings housing office, retail, and residential uses, a hotel, parking, a pedestrian bridge, artistic lighting features, and underpass lighting improvements. Looney Rick Kiss (LRK) was selected in 2015 to lead a planning effort in partnership with the City's Division of Housing and Community Development, the Memphis/Shelby Co. Office of Planning and Development, and the Downtown Memphis Commission along with area stakeholders and service providers. <http://www.lrk.com/projects/pinch>

Solid Waste Fee Increase Proposal

The \$22.80 solid waste fee we pay on our Memphis Light Gas & Water utility bills is roughly \$7.00 short of the city's costs to collect and dispose of bagged leaves, tree limbs and other curbside debris per Public Works Director Robert Knecht.

The City of Memphis must curb its collection of out-of-cart debris or charge higher fees to prevent its Solid Waste Fund from being depleted in 2020.

Director Knecht proposed four possible citywide solutions:

1. **Everything in Cart**—No fee increase—The cost would stay the same. Customers who want regular trash service would need to lease a 3rd cart for \$5.00 per month.
2. **Scheduled Curbside Collection**- Minimal fee increase—\$2.25 per month. Scheduled collection—Customer schedules collection via phone or internet. Collection date tailored to the customer's request.
3. **Monthly Curbside Collection**- Moderate fee increase—\$5.25 per month. Scheduled collection—Collection date assigned for monthly collection.
4. **Weekly Curbside Collection**- Substantial fee increase—\$10 per month. Scheduled collection—Collection day assigned for weekly collection. Most predictable service.

Trash delivery service is among the most common issues we hear about at the City Council. Combining citizens' concerns with the reality that our current revenue and delivery model are unsustainable, we know that action must be taken. This is a critical conversation for the basics of City government, and we are going to work along side Director Knecht to explore the ideal solution during the upcoming budget season.